it may in after times be drawn in argument against their liberties , to the avoiding of which the Council have commanded an order to be entered in the register of Council, and also enregistered as an Act by the Lord Mayor of London

In the counties also many are unwilling to contribute to the charges of the Navy

25 z£ *March* SIR HENRY UNTON SICK

Sir Henry Unton is reported to be very sick, being \isited. for several days with a violent burning fever so that he hath no benefit of sleep, which redoubleth oftentimes with so extra-ordinary accidents (being as the physicians declare a malignant fever and accompanied with the purples) that he is in all opinion abandoned by them The King hath visited him, although his own physicians would have dissuaded him, to whom he answered that he had not hitherto feared the harquebus shot and did not now apprehend the purples

2jth March THE DEVTH OF SIR JOHN HAWKINS REPORTED,

A certain manner, one of the company of Sir Francis Drake and Sir John Hawkins, that was taken by the Spanish and hath escaped to Plymouth, reporteth that his ship having lost company was taken by the Spaniards and the crew imprisoned in the Isle of St John de Porto Rico. The Spaniards sunk ships in the harbour to hinder the entrance, but Sir Francis summoned the town, and when they refused to yield sent fifteen vessels to burn the frigates Two were fired, but by the light thus made the Spaniards fired on the English ships and drove them away The English attacked the fort and Sir John Hawkins was killed Sir Francis then went to the south of the isknd to get provisions and thence sailed to Carthagena, but

meanwhile the treasure ships in Porto Rico sailed and are come safe to St Lucar

March. COUNTERFEITING OF PASSPORTS. Certain vagrants, that have been taken with counterfeit licences and passports, being strictly examined have confessed the names of divers lewd persons about the City of London that not only counterfeit the names of the Generals of her Majesty's forces beyond the seas but affix seals of arms to the